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Happy holiday weekend!

1. **Faces of the North Dakota pipeline protest: 'Sacred land is who we are'**, August 25, 2016

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/gallery/2016/aug/25/north-dakota-pipeline-protest-pictures>

2. **North Dakota oil pipeline protesters stand their ground: 'This is sacred land'**, August 29, 2016

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2016/aug/29/north-dakota-oil-pipeline-protest-standing-rock-sioux>

“The Cannonball river flows into the mighty Missouri about 50 miles due south of Bismarck, North Dakota. At its confluence, a protest encampment – really a series of camps, on both sides of the Cannonball, strewn with kitchens and canteens, portable toilets, stabling for horses, sweat lodges and tall teepees, and stands selling indigenous art – has sprung up.”

3. **Controversy Over Drinking Water Safety In N.C. Private Wells Drags On**, August 29, 2016

<http://www.npr.org/2016/08/29/491770323/long-running-controversy-over-drinking-water-in-n-c-private-wells-continues>

“In North Carolina's capital Raleigh, sparks have been flying between scientists and politicians over possible carcinogens in the public water supply, from nearby coal ash pits.”

4. **Meet the Farmworker Who Helped Win Rent Control in California's Wine Country**, August 30, 2016

<http://www.yesmagazine.org/people-power/meet-the-farmworker-who-helped-win-rent-control-in-californias-wine-country-20160830>

“When Gervacio Pena Lopez migrated to Sonoma County 30 years ago, he just wanted to find work to support his family. Since then, he has organized and won victories for domestic and day laborers, including a green-landscaping certification program.”

5. **Three ‘Raging Grannies’ arrested for blocking oil and coal trains**, August 31, 2016

<http://www.spokesman.com/stories/2016/aug/31/protesters-block-rail-lines-on-trent-avenue/>

“Police arrested three protesters calling themselves ‘Raging Grannies’ on Wednesday after the women blocked BNSF tracks to protest oil and coal trains. ‘We were willing to be arrested to stop climate change,’ said Nancy Nelson, dressed in a blue floral dress with a matching hat. ‘With the oil and coal trains coming right through our city, this is a very serious issue, which we have to address.’”

Best,

Alyssa